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BEFORE THE PUBLIC DISCLOSURE COMMISSION STATE OF WASHINGTON

IN THE MATTER OF THE **ENFORCEMENT ACTION AGAINST:**

PDC CASE NO. 00-878

STIPULATION OF FACT. VIOLATION AND PENALTY

VANCOUVER SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Respondent.

The Vancouver School District (Respondent) and Public Disclosure Commission Enforcement Staff (Staff) agree that the Notice of Administrative Charges (Charges) issued on August 4, 2000, contains accurate statements of fact.

In addition to the facts contained within the Charges, Respondent alleges as follows:

Jami Lund appeared at the business office of the Vancouver School District ("District") while the Payroll Supervisor, Roberta Pfingsten, was at lunch. On that date, the District was in the process of remodeling its administrative offices, so the business office was housed in a temporary location. Mr. Lund initially spoke with Teresa Bromley, Payroll Specialist. He did not identify himself or specify the documents he was seeking. At first, Ms. Bromley thought he was a new employee of the District or a spouse of a District employee, who was seeking information about union dues in general.

Mr. Lund then asked to see the WEA-PAC authorization forms, and Ms. Bromley realized that he was not a District employee. Ms. Pfingsten, the Payroll Supervisor, returned from lunch at that point and spoke with Mr. Lund. She advised him that the authorization forms were available for inspection at the offices of the Vancouver Education Association, and gave

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him directions to that location. The VEA offices were less than two (2) miles from the District's temporary business office. Mr. Lund handed Ms. Pfingsten his business card as he was leaving.

Both Ms. Pfingsten and Ms. Bromley expected that Mr. Lund would go to the VEA office. In anticipation of that, one of them called the VEA to let its Executive Director, Roy Maier, know that Mr. Lund was on his way. Mr. Maier and his assistant stayed at the VEA office approximately one-half hour later than usual on that date, waiting for Mr. Lund to appear. Mr. Lund never appeared at the VEA office to inspect the WEA-PAC authorization forms, which were available on that date.

Violation

For the purposes of the Enforcement Action before the Commission only, Respondent and Staff agree that based upon the facts stipulated above, the Commission would find a violation of RCW 42.17.680(4). Nothing in this stipulation should be construed to limit the right of either party to appeal this matter consistent with the provisions of RCW 42.17 and RCW 34.05.

Penalty

Respondent and Staff agree that based upon the facts and violation above, the Commission would assess a total civil penalty of \$1,000.00 against the Respondent. \$500.00 of this penalty is suspended unless the Respondent is found to have violated any further provision of RCW 42.17.680.

1 Respectfully submitted this 12 th day of December, 2000. 2 3 4 5 6 JONI R. KERR WSBA No. 19551 7 Attorneys for Respondent **Everett School District** 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24

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